Forest Glen Preserve
Deer Management 2019

Illinois is unique in that it is influenced by several ecological regions or biomes, creating an area high in biodiversity.

Vermilion County is blessed with some of the most spectacular natural environments in the state. It is here where north meets south and east meets west. Due to this occurrence the diversity of wildlife is great.

As a natural area, Forest Glen Preserve ranks among the finest. Woodland ravines, mature beech-maple forest, tall grass prairies, wetlands and three miles of Vermilion River frontage give it a variety of habitats, which harbor countless species of plants and animals. More than 240 species of birds have been seen in the preserve and rare plants include several species of orchids.

There are four state nature preserves within the boundaries of Forest Glen and the management of these preserves is the responsibility of the Vermilion County Conservation District.

Managing nature preserves can sometimes be as easy as letting nature do its thing or as complicated as controlling invasive species. One of the goals of the Vermilion County Conservation District is to continue to protect and manage all of its park lands to allow natural environments and its wildlife to flourish for today and future generations.

Management Plan for the Deer Population at Forest Glen Preserve

Deer numbers within the park have reached a critical level. Even though there have been no scientific studies to support this, evidence does exist:

1. A definite browse line.
2. Destruction of certain tree species by bucks rubbing antlers.
3. Understory vegetation reductions.
4. Increased crop damage in agricultural lands surrounding the park.
5. Increased vehicle-deer collisions on roads bordering the park.

Goals:
- Deer population reduction – QDM (deer/sq mi & doe/buck ratio)
- Nature Preserve management (habitat) – birds, trees, wildflowers
- Provide hunting opportunities
- Revenue
- Education-yearly deer track counts, performed by high school biology students to monitor trends
- Reduce vehicle vs. deer collisions along main roads
- Reduce crop damage on neighboring agricultural land

Methods:
- Archery/crossbow ONLY
- Each hunt is one week long – EXCEPT during firearm season
- Four hunt sites
- Four hunters/week x 16 weeks = 64 hunters per year
- Non-refundable lottery for all hunts @ $25 per chance or 5 chances for $100
- Tickets go on sale March 1, 2019. Drawing July 21, 2019 @ 1 p.m. @ Gannett Center @ Forest Glen
- Enter as many times as you like, but each applicant can only be drawn once.
- Unfilled spots $100 each, per week
- *NEW* Earn-A-Buck: In order to harvest a buck, you must FIRST harvest a doe. ONLY one (1) buck and one (1) doe per season.
- Each week will begin Sunday @ 12:00 (noon) and end Sunday @ 10:00 am. EXCEPT during firearm season.
**Lottery Applicant Information**

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Select your desired hunt code(s) and complete the area below. Tickets are non-refundable and proceeds go to the management of Forest Glen Preserve.

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1st Choice Hunt Code
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3rd Choice Hunt Code

☐ Other: Any Available Date

☐ YOUTH SEASON (OCT 1 – 6, 2019)

**Billing Information:**

☐ PayPal (www.vccd.org)

☐ Check Enclosed

For more information contact Cole Craft @ 217-662-2142 or ccraft@vccd.org

Application available online @ www.vccd.org

or

Apply by Mail (postmark by July 13, 2019):
Complete and mail with fees to:
Forest Glen Preserve
20301 E. 900 North Road
Westville, IL 61883

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**Forest Glen Preserve – 2019**

**Archery Deer Hunt**

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**Rules:**

1. Fill out and submit application form by mail. Application available online @ www.vccd.org. The NON-REFUNDABLE ticket fee is due with application. Payment online may be made through Pay Pal.
2. Lottery application forms and payment must be returned and postmarked by July 13, 2019 in a sealed envelope marked “lottery application”. Lottery drawing will be held on July 21, 2019, 1:00 p.m., Gannett Center @ Forest Glen.
3. Successful applicants must then obtain their VCCD special hunting permit. Resident $15.00 Non-resident $30.00.
4. Once a VCCD hunting permit is obtained, hunters will receive the Forest Glen Archery Deer Hunting information/rule packet.
5. Hunters can only be drawn once.

* Short week – **HUNTING AT FOREST GLEN WILL BE CLOSED DURING FIREARM DEER SEASON**

6. To be eligible for a VCCD hunt permit, every applicant must possess all valid licenses, stamps and permits as required by Federal and State law.

7. NEW – **EARN-A-BUCK** – In order to harvest a buck, you must first harvest a doe.

There will also be 6 auction hunts in conjunction with the lottery hunts. For more information contact Cole Craft @ 217-662-2142 or ccraft@vccd.org

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**INCREASE YOUR CHANCES**

Enter as many times as you like.

**TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

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**Discount Package:**

- 5 for $100.00